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In Memoriam

Fred McQuesten (1904-1957)

Selectman of Litchfield, 6 1/2 years
Deputy Forest Fire Warden, 4 years
Forest Fire Warden, 11 years
Police Officer, 15 years; Vice President of Policeman's Association
Charter Member of the Fire Department
Treasurer of the Men's Club, 2 years
Vice President of Men's Club
Member of the Litchfield Civic Association
Member of the Naumkeag Grange
Democratic Ballot Clerk, 5 Years
Member of the Litchfield School Parent Teachers Assoc.

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

Town Clerk

BARBARA CAMPBELL

Treasurer

STERLING COLBY

Selectmen

GEORGE L. ADAMS ROLAND J. LEVESQUE
FRED McQUESTEN

Highway Agent

ARNOLD C. CAMPBELL

Auditors

FREDERICK C. GOFFE ERDINE MacDOUGALL

Supervisors

ELIZABETH C. MORRILL LIZZIE B. LEACH
DORIS GOFFE

Ballot Clerks

SOPHIA ADAMS SYLVESTER A. REID
FLORENCE CENTER JEAN H. LEACH

Tax Collector

TREFLE MARSAN

Chief of Police

DAVID A. CAMPBELL

Police Officers

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL
JOHN BURNS, Jr.
JOHN JANOSZ
FRED McQUESTEN
SYLVESTER A. REID
FRANCIS SMITH
GERALD CADY

Constable

ALLEN M. KENDALL

Forest Fire Warden

FRED McQUESTEN
SYLVESTER REID

Deputy Fire Wardens

SYLVESTER A. REID
DAVID A. CAMPBELL
FRANCIS SMITH
ROBERT GODDARD

Fire Department

ROBERT JERRY, Chief
FRANCIS SMITH, Deputy Chief
ARTHUR BURGESS, Deputy Chief

Health Officer

RICHARD C. LEACH

Library Trustees

FREDERICK C. GOFFE
WILLIAM McELWAIN
HELEN PARKER
CORABEL COLBY
DAVID A. CAMPBELL
RICHARD C. LEACH

Librarian

FLORENCE C. CENTER

Moderator School District

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

Clerk School District

LEWIS C. GOFFE

School Board

LEON CALAWA, Jr. OLIVE CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD MacDOUGALL

Auditors School District

EDWIN B. HILL HELEN M. PARKER

Trustees Town Trust Funds

DAVID A. CAMPBELL CLIFFORD MacDOUGALL
CYRUS E. WILSON

Fence Viewing

JAMES T. COLBY, Jr. ADRIEN LABRIE
ROBERT JERRY

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL IRA FORD
ADRIAN LABRIE

Planning Board

PAUL HENDRICK, Chairman JOHN BURNS
JOHN JANOSZ ROLAND LEVESQUE
WILLIAM RODONIS

Zoning Board of Appeals

PAUL HENDRICK OVILA JACKSON
DAVID CAMPBELL BERTHA CROWELL
STERLING COLBY CLIFFORD MacDOUGALL

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Litchfield in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Litchfield on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, at one of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate $250.00 for the Public Library.

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept Town Road Aid for the permanent improvement of highways. Town to raise $177.84 and the State to contribute $1,185.57.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes for the year 1958.

6. To see what action the Town will take in regard to Memorial Day and make appropriation for same.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $..... to purchase advertising space in the 1959 Guide of Merrimack Valley Region or act in relation thereto.

8. To see what action the Town will take in regard of purchasing 200 ft. of 2½" hose for the Fire Department and raise and appropriate for same.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate $500.00 for the New Fire Truck Fund.

10. To see if the Town will vote to turn over the Lot or any money received from the gravel pit at the North End of Town to the Litchfield Fire Department Building Fund.

11. To see what action the Town will take in regards to clearing wood roads. To raise and appropriate for same.

12. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the Town the benefits of Title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes Annotated Amended by Chapter 301 and 332 of the Laws of 1955 and to raise and appropriate the sum of $..... to defray the Town's share of the cost thereof.

13. To see if the Town wishes to exclude from the plan services in any class or classes of positions filled by popular election.

14. To see if the Town wishes to exclude from the plan services in any class or classes of positions the compensation for which is on a fee basis.

15. If a plan for Social Security Coverage is adopted, to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to execute on behalf of the Town the necessary Agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the Town will designate the Town Treasurer as the officer to be responsible for the adminstration of the plan.

16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the proposed budget for the ensuing year in whole or in part.

17. To see what action the Town will take in regards to White Pine Blister, raise and appropriate money for same.

18. To see if the Town will vote to take any action to determine the location of its south boundary line, and to make provision for the same.

19. To see if the Town will vote to accept the amendments to the zoning ordinance recommended by the planning board.

20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an official community map as provided by Chapter 36, Sections 16-18 Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955.

21. To see what action the Town will take on the $100 Deposit left on the logs from the Bixby Lot. To raise and appropriate for same.

22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting and read minutes of said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the 20th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

GEORGE L. ADAMS
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE
Selectmen of Litchfield

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GEORGE L. ADAMS
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE
Selectmen of Litchfield

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and Lot	$ 6,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	175.00
Library Building and Lot	24,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	800.00
Fire Department	3,500.00
School Building and Lot	50,000.00
Equipment	2,500.00
Highway Equipment	1,000.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Lands and buildings	$551,165.00
Electric Plants	110,071.00
Horses (9)	725.00
Neat Stock (10)	500.00
Cows (69)	5,175.00
Fowls (1850)	925.00
Portable Mills (1)	100.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks (13)	1,655.00
Stock in Trade	1,150.00
Mills and Machinery	20,680.00
Boats (2)	200.00
	$692,346.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions of Blind	35,000.00
	$657,346.00

Estimated Revenue From:

Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 280.00	
Savings Bank Tax	20.00	
Reimbursement a/c State Land	30.00	
Dog Licenses	105.00	
Interest on Taxes	160.00	
Income from Trust Funds	50.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,700.00	
Poll Taxes	460.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	89.00	
Yield Taxes	200.00	
Sale of Gravel	300.00	
Use of Fire Equipment	440.00	
Fighting Forest Fires	150.00	
		$ 4,584.00

TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property Taxes	$ 47,328.91
Poll Taxes	456.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	86.00
Timber Yield Tax	232.11
State Head Tax, 280 @ $5.00	1,400.00

Tax Rare: $72.00 per $1,000.00 Valuation.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	$ 7,811.46
Received from:	
Robert Jerry, Collector	1,190.59
T. W. Marsan, Collector	46,054.46
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk	2,615.64
State Treasurer	
Welfare Payment Refund	7.59
General Prevention of Fires	31.50
State's Share: Forest Fire	53.27
Investigation of Fire	1.89
Warden Service	9.10
Savings Bank Tax	17.28
a/c Woodlands Tax Loss 1956	31.38
Interest @ Dividends Tax	163.46
Town Trustees	
Temporary Loans	4,000.00
Amoskeag National Bank	
Temporary Loans	8,500.00
Selectmen	
Use of Fire Truck	37.50
Sale of Logs—Bixby Lot	322.00
Sale of Part of Cemetery Lot	1,175.00
Used Trailer Pump Sold	500.00
June 29—Fire	45.95
Sale of Gravel	431.22
Total Receipts	$ 72,999.29

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1957	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1957	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1958
From State:			
From State:	$ 280.00	$ 163.46	$ 280.00
Savings Bank Tax	20.00	17.28	20.00
Reimb. a/c State & Fed. Forest lands	24.78	31.38	30.00
Reimb. a/c Ex. of Growing Wood & Timber	600.00		
For Fighting Forest Fires		141.71	150.00
Reimb. a/c Old Age Asst.		7.59	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	105.00	89.00	105.00
Int. Rec. on Taxes & Dep.	75.00	153.28	160.00
Income from Town money	50.00		50.00
Income of Departments:			
(c) Sale of Lumber	200.00	322.00	
(d) Sale of land	1,000.00	1,175.00	
(e) Sale of Gravel		431.22	300.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,600.00	2,526.64	2,700.00
Use of Fire Equipment		37.50	40.00
Sale of Trailer Pump		500.00	
From Local Taxes			
Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes-Reg. @ $2	464.00	456.00	460.00
(b) Nat. Bank Stock Taxes	96.00	89.00	89.00
(c) Yield Taxes	302.27	232.11	200.00
(d) State Head Taxes		1,370.00	
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	$ 5,817.05	$ 7,743.17	$ 4,584.00
Amt. To Be Raised by Property Taxes	$47,335.48	$44,944.66	$53,419.10
Total Revenues			$58,003.10

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1957	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1957	Appropriations Recommended By Budget Committee 1958
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 700.00	$ 696.00	$ 700.00
Town Officers' Expenses	600.00	621.70	625.00
Election and Registration Expenses	300.00	500.00	500.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	75.00	72.73	75.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	500.00	1,073.88	800.00
Fire Department	400.00	521.68	400.00
Insurance	80.00	205.71	150.00
Planning & Zoning		7.80	
Bldg Fund, Fire Sta. Bldg. Inspector		1,447.00	
Health:			
Health Dept.	20.00	21.59	20.00
Ambulance	72.00	81.00	100.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal		242.80	
Water Holes	100.00	40.00	50.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	500.00	578.70	500.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,000.00	1,000.45	1,000.00
Forest Fire	300.00	314.98	300.00
Gen. Ex. of H'way. Dept.	100.00		100.00
Town Road Aid	145.98	145.98	177.84
Libraries	250.00	250.00	250.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	50.00		50.00
Old Age Assistance	230.00	364.57	350.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Associations	50.00	50.00	50.00

Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	50.00	39.00	50.00
New Fire Truck Fund		1,000.00	
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Exp.	50.00		50.00
State Debt Retirement Tax	16.80	72.27	33.00
Interest:			
On Temp. Loans	150.00	198.69	200.00
Reg. of Deeds		11.06	
Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improv.:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(a) State Head Tax		1,565.00	
(b) Abatements and refunds		247.60	
(d) Deficit of Previous Year		1,893.45	1,893.45
County Taxes	2,800.00	3,687.56	3,600.00
School Taxes	4,512.75	38,481.15	45,978.81
Total Expenditures	$53,052.53	$53,538.90	$58,003.10

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1957	$ 8,853.84	
Uncollected Tax 1957	7,135.08	
Uncollected Head Tax 1957	555.00	
Uncollected Timber Tax 1955	16.58	
Previous year's Poll Tax	2.00	
Previous year's Head Tax	10.00	
Property Tax 1956	118.80	
		$ 16,691.30

Liabilities

Due School Dist. 1957 Approp.	$ 18,082.49	
Uncollected Head Tax 1957	449.50	
Uncollected Yield Tax	2.76	
		$ 18,584.75
Revenue and Expenditure Deficit		1,893.45
		$ 16,691.30

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1957 Tax (Property, Poll and Bank)	$ 40,989.50
1956 Tax (Property and Bank)	3,924.96
1957 Tax Interest	3.56
1956 Tax Interest	141.62
1957 Yield Tax	232.11
1956 Added Tax	2.00
1957 Head Taxes	890.00
1956 Head Taxes	225.00
1957 Penalties	2.50
1956 Penalties	22.50

UNCOLLECTED

1957 Property Tax	$ 7,135.08
1956 Property Tax	118.80
1957 Head Tax	560.00
1955 Head Tax	5.00
1955 Timber Tax	16.58
1953 Head Tax	5.00
1953 Poll Tax	2.00

EXPENSES

Postage Supplies and Tax Forms	$ 43.80
Head Tax Expense (1400 @ 3%)	42.00
	$ 85.85

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand, January 1, 1957	$ 7,811.46
Received from:	
Robert Jerry, Collector	1,190.59
T. W. Marsan, Collector	46,054.46
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk	2,615.64
State Treasurer	
Welfare Payment Refund	7.59
General Prevention of Fires	31.50
State's Share—Forest Fires	53.27
Investigation of Fire	1.89
Warden Service	9.10
Savings Bank Tax	17.28
a/c Woodlands Tax Loss 1956	31.38
Interest & Dividends Tax	163.46
Town Trustees	
Temporary Loans	4,000.00
Amoskeag National Bank	
Temporary Loans	8,500.00
Selectmen	
Use of Fire Truck	37.50
Sale of Logs—Bixby Lot	322.00
Sale of Part of Cemetery Lot	1,175.00
Used Trailer Pump Sold	500.00
June 29 Fire	45.95
Sale of Gravel	431.22
	$ 72,999.29

Payments

Paid Selectmen's Orders	$ 64,145.45
Cash on hand, December 31, 1957	$ 8,853.84

Respectfully submitted

STERLING COLBY,

Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Permits	$ 2,526.64	
Dog Licenses	89.00	
		$ 2,615.64

BARBARA CAMPBELL,
Town Clerk

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR FOR 1957

Property taxes	$ 47,328.91	
Poll taxes	456.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	86.00	
Yield tax	232.11	
		$ 48,103.02

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Clerk, Barbara Campbell	$ 50.00	
Town Treasurer, Sterling Colby	50.00	
Selectman, George Adams	150.00	
Selectman, Roland Levesque	100.00	
Selectman, Fred McQuesten	100.00	
Tax Collector, Trefle Marsan	125.00	
Chief of Police, David A. Campbell	50.00	
Fire Chief, Robert Jerry	50.00	
Trustee, David Campbell	7.00	
Trustee, Cyrus Wilson	7.00	
Trustee, Clifford MacDougall	7.00	
		$ 696.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.		
Supplies	$ 15.80	
Ida M. Homer,		
Tax Collectors' Ass'n Dues	3.00	
Berry & Edgerly, Town Officers' Bonds	91.10	
Trefle Marsan, Tax Collector, Mileage,		
Postage & Supplies	59.10	
Trefle Marsan, Tax Collector, Head Tax	42.00	
Charles R. Hardy,		
Town Clerk Ass'n Dues	3.00	
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk		
Postage, Tel., Dog Licenses,		
Motor Permits	182.62	
Fred McQuesten, Selectman	9.00	
George L. Adams, Selectman, Tel.,		
Mileage & Meeting	28.33	
Roland Levesque, Selectman	7.00	
Brown, Saltmarsh	5.25	
Leo R. Lessieur, Clearing		
Title Bixby Lot	50.00	
Frederick Goffe	38.00	
Erdine MacDougall	38.00	
State of New Hampshire—Tax Book	2.50	
Eloise Barlow, Typing Town Report	15.00	
Ass'n of N. H. Assessors 1956-57	6.00	
Telegraph Publishing Co.,		
Auction Ads	10.00	
State Tax Commission, Audit Tax Col.		
(Robert Jerry) Books	39.75	
		$ 646.70

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Maxfield Press, Check List	$ 60.00	
Sophia Adams, Ballot Clerk	7.00	
Florence Center, Ballot Clerk	7.00	
Sylvester A. Reid, Ballot Clerk	7.00	
Jean Leach, Ballot Clerk	7.00	
Doris Goffe, Supervisor	33.00	
Elizabeth C. Morrill, Supervisor	33.00	
Lizzie B. Leach, Supervisor	33.00	
Charles B. Campbell, Moderator	7.00	
Maxfield Press, Town Report	240.00	
McQuesten Supplies	66.00	
		$ 500.00

TOWN HALL

Public Service Co., Electrical Energy	$ 28.63
Harold and Maude French, Insurance	44.10
	$ 72.73

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Bond Debt Retirement Tax	$ 72.27
State Aid Highway Construction (Town Share)	145.98

INSURANCE

Archie Slawsby, Workman's Compensation	$ 88.32
Archie Slawsby, Gen. Liability Ins.	92.39
	$ 180.71

PLOWING WATER HOLES

David Campbell	$	12.00
Griffin & Gage		28.00
	$	40.00

PLANNING BOARD

Evans Printing Co.	$	7.80

TOWN DUMP

Frank Kennedy	$	105.00
Trucking Gravel		77.00
Dump Fire		50.90
S. A. Reid, Labor		9.90
	$	242.80

FOREST FIRE REPORT

Training Meeting	$	30.70
March 31, Paige Rd.		43.40
April 29, Corning Rd.		36.40
June 17		28.55
June 29		48.45
Closing Rds.		33.80
State of N. H., Shovels		25.40
Manchester Line Fire		27.70
Posting Signs & Checking on False Alarm		21.99
S. A. Reid, Repair Indian Pumps		18.59
	$	314.98

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Police Dept. of Nashua	$	81.00

PAYMENT ON TEMPORARY LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Town Trustees	$	4,000.00
Interest		100.00
Amoskeag National Bank		8,500.00
Interest		98.69
	$	12,698.69

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY TREASURER

County Tax	$ 3,687.56

ABATEMENTS REFUNDED

Abatements to Tax Collector, 1956	$ 172.00
Refunded, Harry Tufts, 1957	72.00
Refunded, Eugene Pelkey, 1957	3.60
	$ 247.60

HEAD TAX

State Treasurer, Head Tax	$ 1,565.00

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Arnold Campbell	$ 578.70

WINTER MAINTENANCE

Arnold Campbell	$ 1,000.45

LIBRARY

Library Trustees, Frederick C. Goffe, Treasurer	$ 250.00

CEMETERIES

Arnold Campbell, Mowing	$ 39.00

OLD AGE

State of N. H.	$ 364.57

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Gladys A. Locke, 1956	$ 12,087.70
Gladys A. Lock, 1957	24,500.00
	$ 36,587.70

RECORDING DEEDS AND MORTGAGES

C. Edward Bourassa	$ 11.06

POLICE DEPARTMENT

David Campbell, Chief of Police, Mileage, Hours & Telephone	$	384.09
Francis Smith		346.18
Sylvester A. Reid		46.44
Fred McQuesten		35.00
White Cross Store, Batteries		9.95
Standard Radio Fuses Corp.		17.96
N. H. Humane Society		7.50
Robert Marine Inc.		4.00
Cole Printing Co.		24.00
John Janosz		73.75
Gerald Cady		40.26
John Burns		24.75
Benner Electronic Service Co.—Install Radio		25.00
H. G. King, Jr., Siren		35.00
	$	1,073.88

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Richard Leach, Expenses	$	10.57

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Richard Leach, Expenses	$	11.02

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

SNOW PLOWING

Arnold Campbell, Truck	$	294.00
Sylvester Reid, Labor		92.40
J. F. Randell, Tractor		21.50
	$	407.90

SALTING ROADS

Sylvester Reid, Truck	$	82.00
Fred McQuesten, Labor		36.30
Arnold Campbell, Labor		8.80
	$	127.10

SNOW FENCE

Arnold Campbell, Truck	$	30.00
Gary Conaty, Labor		5.50
Robert McQuesten, Labor		5.50
Dennis Adams, Labor		4.40
Warren Adams, Labor		6.60
Gerald Cady, Labor		4.40
David Campbell, Labor		3.30
	$	59.70

MATERIALS PURCHASED

Wirthmore Co., Inc., Salt	$	367.50
Bob's Shell Station, Switch		1.00
Litchfield Garage, Hyd. Oil		3.00
	$	371.50
Total	$	966.20

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Arnold Campbell, Truck & Tractor	$	230.45
Fred McQuesten, Labor		26.40
Robert McQuesten, Labor		35.20
Dennis Adams, Labor		24.75
Gerald Cady, Labor		25.30
Gary Conaty Labor,		15.40
Albert Conaty, Labor		4.40
Sylvester Reid, Labor		4.40
Arthur Lynch, Labor		4.40
Howard Legalle, Labor		4.40
Warren Adams, Labor		4.40
Robert Jerry, Labor		8.80
Robert Jerry, Use of Grader		4.00
Robert Jerry, Range Oil		1.00
David Campbell, Power Saw		51.40
Joseph Roark, Gravel		4.00
Frank Kennedy, Bulldozer		60.00
Town of Hudson, Cold Patch		56.00
Arnold Campbell, Highway Meeting		6.00
George Adams, Highway Meeting		5.50
Total	$	575.70

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

French Insurance Agency	$	16.05
Archie Slawsby Insurance, Fire Truck		55.64
Robert Smith, Secretary		10.00
Robert Jerry, Gas & Oil and Repair		104.46
Robert Jerry, Garage Rent		240.00
G. Adams		3.00
F. Smith		3.00
J. Janosz		3.00
S. Colby		3.00
J. Vatcher		3.00
D. Campbell		3.00
L. Calawa, Jr.		3.00
F. McQuesten		3.00
O. Jackson		3.00
E. Safford		3.00
L. Cota		3.00
D. MacDougall		3.00
H. Parker		3.00
A. Kendall		3.00
A. Lynch		3.00
Public Service Co.		32.53
S. Reid		3.00
F. Goffe		3.00
E. Pelkey		3.00
G. Malbourne		3.00
A. Burgess		3.00
G. Cady		3.00
	$	521.68

NEW TRUCK FUND

Treasurer Volunteer Fire Dept.	$	500.00
Sale of Trailer Pump		500.00
	$	1,000.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING FUND

Logs from Bixby Lot	$	322.00
Sale of Bixby Lot		1,125.00
	$	1,447.00

FIRE HOUSE REPORT

Assets:

April 15, 1957: Sale of Logs on Bixby Lot	$ 322.00
July 31, 1957: Sale of Bixby Lot	1,175.00
	$ 1,497.00

Liabilities:

102 bags cement	$ 162.18
80 bags mortar cement	113.60
2020 cement blocks	495.10
56½ blocks	11.20
6 steel sash	85.50
2 mortar pans	12.00
1 keg 8¢ nails	11.75
1 keg 20¢ nails	11.75
1000 ft. 2" x 4" #1 fir	120.00
1000 ft. 1" x 8" #4 pine	100.00
plus delivery	6.00
1 roll felt paper	3.05
angle iron	73.92
Lawyer	50.00
	$ 1,256.05
Less Discounts	21.82
	$ 1,234.23
Balance on hand	$ 262.77

We wish to thank all the people who helped get the Litchfield Fire Station on its way. To our regret we were unable to get the roof on before cold weather as we had hoped. To Sterling Colby goes much thanks for the donation of enough lumber to finish the top of the Fire Station. We are making arrangements to cut the lumber this winter.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE N. PELKEY
LEON CALAWA, Jr.
GEORGE L. ADAMS
Fire House Building Committee

FIRE TRUCK FUND REPORT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1957	$ 500.00
Sale of Pump July 17, 1957	500.00
Received from Town December 1957	500.00
	$ 1,500.00
Interest	32.50
	$ 1,532.50

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Permits to operate oil burning equipment:

1957 Two (2) inspected and permits issued.

Fire calls for 1957 as follows:

2 Grass fires
2 Brush fires
3 Burning without a permit
1 Automotive fire
3 Trips on reported fire for Tower Wardens

In the event of a fire at your home or grass fires around your property or if you have an overheated chimney, dial the operator and give your name and location. The operator has the key numbers to call for the fire department. This method will insure the fastest service and lessen the chance of dialing a wrong number.

ROBERT JERRY
Fire Chief

FOREST FIRE PREVENTION IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

New Hampshire faces a continuing challenge in its forest fire problem—97 percent of all our forest fires being man-caused and preventable—a serious indictment of interest in our own welfare and that of our neighbor. Both the State and the towns are striving diligently to effectively meet the challenge through education of the public to the threat fire presents to our woodlands; by maintaining a

well trained corps of wardens and deputy wardens in every community and by providing ample opportunity for all who wish to dispose of unwanted waste materials. Careless and perverseness, however, continue to be the big hurdles.

Thoughtlessly discarded lighted cigars, cigarettes and matches from moving vehicles, by hikers, hunters and fishermen; careless burning of debris during hazardous periods in dangerous locations; illegal burning; improperly extinguished debris, camp and cook fires—all result in serious loss of property, disruption of industry and farm work and unnecessary expenditure of town and state funds.

To meet the challenge successfully, the state, your community and your local forest fire warden need YOUR thoughtful and cooperative effort—The rules are simple.

1. Don't burn at home—use your town dump and avoid all fire problems.
2. If you do burn, be sure to secure a written permit from your local forest fire warden when the ground is not covered with snow. Permits are required for open debris fires, home incinerators, outdoor fire places and camp fires. Your warden is instructed to permit burning if weather conditions, site and type of burning are safe.
3. Be sure that all lighted material—cigars, cigarettes and matches—are completely out before discarding them. Use ash trays in automobiles.
4. Make certain that your debris, camp and cook fires are completely out before leaving them.
5. Insist that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.
6. Call the warden promptly when fire is detected and aid him to extinguish it.

REMEMBER—the fire you prevent might be the one which could burn YOUR Property.

REMEMBER FOREST FIRE PREVENTION is EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS and our MOST IMPORTANT UNDERTAKING

1957 Forest fire record for your town
Town Dump, 1
Number of fires, 5. Acreage burned, ¾.
Number of permits issued, 25.

WINTHROP HANNAFORD
District Fire Chief
SYLVESTER A. REID,
Forest Fire Warden

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

13 Accidents reported
6 Assisting ambulance
1 Emergency trip to hospital
24 Arrests for speeding
7 Arrests for yellow line
1 Arrest, illegal parking
1 Arrest, passing stopped school bus
1 Arrest, unregistered vehicle
1 Arrest, excessive speed
1 Arrest, stop sign violation
2 Arrests, operating under influence
2 Cases, larceny
27 Defective equipment: tags issued
115 Warnings issued to motorists
1 Stolen car recovered
1 Runaway child
3 Blueberry pickers rescued from swamp
1 Lost person
4 Suspicious persons checked
2 Trees or wires on highway
1 Case, dog bite
5 Dogs to N. H. Humane Society
4 Dogs reported struck
6 Assisting other departments
2 Other departments assisting
10 Homes checked, vacations
72 Other calls and complaints

The department was saddened by the passing of Fred McQuesten. He had been a police officer for many years. He was always willing to drop his work and assist on any call that came.

The department patrolled the town thoroughly at Hallowe'en. A number of outside cars were checked. Our thanks to the children of Litchfield for their cooperation and their behavior, also to the parents.

In case of a dog bite, please notify an officer immediately. Also have the injury treated by a physician.

This past year officer John Janosz completed the standard and the advanced Red Cross First Aid Course. He is qualified to give first aid in an emergency. Two other officers completed law enforcement training programs.

Gerald Cady has been appointed to the department. A resident for ten years, both he and his wife are active in town affairs. Their family includes two sons and two daughters.

DAVID CAMPBELL
Chief of Police

BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE REPORT

In the year 1950 the Town of Litchfield adopted a Building Code and Zoning Ordinance. Through the intervening years there has been an increase in the population of the Town and also an increase in Building. This has necessitated a closer look at our Code in order to keep pace with the changing times and try to anticipate the growing needs of a progressive community.

A copy of the proposed changes in the Building Code has been mailed to the registered voters in Town and to property owners, in advance of the Town report to insure everyone plenty of time to become aquainted with the proposed changes.

These amendments were drawn up by the committee and open public hearings were held in accordance with the instructions voted at the last Town Meeting and the question to accept these changes or reject them is to be voted on the printed ballot.

EUGENE PELKEY
GEORGE ADAMS
STERLING COLBY
RICHARD LEACH
Building Code Committee

ANNUAL REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

TOWN OF LITCHFIELD

Ending December 1, 1957

Total permits issued	8
Type of permits:	
Buildings moved	1
Additions and improvements	3
New Construction	4

RICHARD C. LEACH
Building Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Disposal of animals	3
Investigation of dog bites	1
Investigation of pollution of water	1

RICHARD C. LEACH
Health Officer

REPORT ON NORTH END GRAVEL PIT

Sold to Lucian L. Glang

4840 Cu. Yds. of Gravel Fill @ 10¢ per Cu. Yd. $484.60
Clang work done on Pine Ave. Rd. and gravelling same:

3½ Hrs. truck hire @ $5.25 per hr.	$ 18.38
3½ Hrs. Loader hire @ $10.00 per hr.	35.00
	$ 53.38
	$431.22

3½ hrs. bulldozer spreading gravel on road—donated
widening road: all donated

Contribution to Fire Station:
5 hours Loader for gravel
½ hour backfilling around Station Lucien I. Clang
5½ hours labor: operating loader—donated by Harry Hogancamp.

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

Receipts	
Town of Litchfield	$ 50.00
Receipts from Supper	21.95
	$ 71.95
Expenses	
Flags	10.50
Wreaths	10.00
Buoquet	3.00
Supper	38.03
Hall	8.00
	$ 69.53
Turned back to committee:	$ 2.42

There are 1 dozen flags at the Library (left over)

The parade in charge of Lorraine Jerry and Gail Plouf, Junior members of the Naumkeag Grange, visited every cemetery in town to place Flags on the Graves of Veterans and War Dead. At the Town Hall Arthur Morrill placed a wreath in memory of World War I dead, and Eugene Pelkey sent a bouquet of flowers down the river to honor our Navy dead. At the library Leon Calawa, Jr. placed a wreath commemorating our World War II dead.

A delicious supper was served at the Grange Hall with all Veterans the guests and playing host to the Veterans were Perley Colby and Frederick Goffe. Afterwards a fine program was presented under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morrill.

ETHEL M. HOPWOOD

Naumkeag Grange
Ways and Means Committee

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS

ALPHONSE H. POWERS CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	107.60
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		3.75
	$	111.35
Paid Out		3.00
	$	108.35

ZOE WHITTEMORE CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	106.23
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		3.73
	$	109.96
Paid Out		2.00
	$	107.96

MARY L. MARSH CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	103.38
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		3.61
	$	106.99
Paid Out		3.00
	$	103.99

JOHN A. CORNING & GEORGIA WATTS CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	103.38
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		3.62
	$	107.00
Paid Out		2.00
	$	105.00

SELAH BIXBY CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	1,627.05
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		57.21
	$	1,684.26
Paid Out		14.60
	$	1,669.26

FRANKLIN S. BANCROFT CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	209.11
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		7.33
	$	216.44
Paid Out		5.00
	$	211.44

CHARLES G. PARKER CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	116.86
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		4.07
	$	120.93
Paid Out		3.00
	$	117.93

JOHN KENNARD LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	566.02
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		19.26
	$	585.28

SELAH BIXBY LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$	124.40
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend		4.38
	$	128.78

BANCROFT HIGHWAY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$ 1,452.95
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend	51.28
	$ 1,504.23

ETHEL LEACH SCHNEIDER CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Manchester Savings Bank	$ 101.63
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend	3.56
	$ 105.19
Paid Out	1.50
	$ 103.69

AARON CUTLER LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1956 Bal. Manchester Savings Bank		$ 5,251.94
Dec. 31, 1957 Dividend and Interest		1,043.49
		$ 6,295.43
Paid Treasurer, Library Trustees	$800.00	
Vault Charge	5.50	
		$ 805.50
Dec. 31, 1957 Bank Balance		$ 5,489.93
U. S. Bonds		3,200.00
Estimated Value, Stocks		13,500.00
Total Assets		$ 22,189.93

DAVID CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD MacDOUGALL
CYRUS WILSON
Trustees

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE L. ADAMS
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE
Selectmen

Audited by:
FREDERICK GOFFE
ERDINE MacDOUGALL

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOG

1957

General

Bakeless, Background to Glory	6199
Beck, Folklore of Maine	6243
Brown, Colonel John Goffe	6250
Commons, Trade Unionism and Labor Groups	6222
Cotton, This Hallowed Ground	6213
Gordon, Old English Furniture	6234
Gunther, Inside Africa	6246
Hayward, English Period Furniture	6235
Horton, Beacon Lights of Christian History	6260
Jennison, Boys and Their Mother	6217
Jones, Fifty Billion Dollars	6229
King Albert's Book	6258
McKearin, 200 Years of American Blown Glass	6242
Marshall, To Live Again	6247
Maust, Bottle and Glass Handbook	6238
New Hampshire Manual for the General Court, 1957	6212
Newell, Houses of the Double Range and East Derry, N. H.	6249
Peattie, To Comfort You	6259
Phillips, American Silver	6237
Raddock, Portrait of an American Leader	6225
Reader's Digest Condensed Books, Summer 1953	6224
Rigby, Lock, Stock, and Barrel	6233
Ross, Land People of Canada	6239
Shackleton, Book of Antiques	6236
Shakespeare, Twelfth Night	6218
Shepard, Drawn from Memory	6251
Sloane, American Yesterday	6208
Smith, "Where Did You Go?" "Out."	6253
Vallois, First Steps in Collecting	6232
Whitehead, F. B. I. Story	6220
Wilson, I Found My Way	6198

Fiction

Asch, The Prophet	6214
Best Short Stories of 1925	6202
Cabell, Jurgen	6262
Cadell, I Love a Lass	6248
Carroll, Sing Out the Glory	6245
Chidsey, This Bright Sword	6186
Churchill, The Crossing	6244
Corbett, Professor Preston at Home	6216
Cotterell, Strange Enchantment	6209
De la Roche, Whiteoaks Brothers	6252
Gilbert, Silver Spoon	6196
Haycox, Adventurers	6197
Hersey, Single Pebble	6240
Keyes, Crescent Carnival	6255
Keyes, Royal Box	6256
Law, Aimee	6201
Marquand, Sincerely Yours, Willis Wayde	6257
Miller, F., Tejas Country	6223
Miller, H., Man Ten Feet Tall	6215
Shellabarger, Prince of Foxes	6226
Stowe, Uncle Tom's Cabin	6254
Wescott, Captain for Elizabeth	6227
Zistel, Treasury of Cat Stories	6228

Juvenile

Ashley, Rebel Raiders	6187
Barr, Mike, the Milkman	6182
Bowman, Grow Toward the Sun	6211
Browne, Legends of New England	6261
Del Rey, Mission to the Moon	6241
Fisher, Hawaiian Sword	6188
Fitch, Book about God	6191
Fitch, The Child Jesus	6192
Floherty, Television Story	6205
Folsom, Hidden Ruin	6210
Garrett, Rufous Redtail	6207
Horth, 101 Things for Children To Do	6204
Jauss, River's Journey	6195
Kelley, Beaver Trail	6230
Long, Soldier for a King	6193
McDonald, Hello, Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle	6194

McGinley, Year without a Santa Claus	6231
Masters, Blazer the Bear	6190
Milne, House at Pooh Corner	6206
Morseley, Junior Bible Archaeology	6221
Nesbitt, Captain John Smith's Page	6184
Paradis, From High School to a Job	6189
Sharp, Little Lost Bobo	6185
Smith, Up a Tree	6181
Stanford, Horsemasters	6183
Stephen, Six Pointer Buck	6202
Verrill, Air-craft for Boys	6219

Resources

Number of volumes at beginning of year	6043
Number of volumes added	82
Number of volumes discarded	11
Number of volumes at end of year	6114

Services

Number of volumes loaned to adults	718
Number of volumes loaned to children	528
Number of magazines, pamphlets, etc. loaned	288
Total circulation	1534

Periodicals

Good Housekeeping, Hobbies, Life, Nature, New Hampshire Profiles, Parents, Popular Science, Senior Scholastic, Time

Donations

Books: Dr. D. W. Bradt, Mr. Newell B. Carney, Mrs. G. W. Colby, Miss Alice Hall, Miss Dorothy Laughlin. Magazines: Miss Florence C. Center. Old record book: Paul Sevigny. Original painting: Dr. D. W. Bradt.

Respectfully submitted

FLORENCE C. CENTER
Librarian

SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Litchfield qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 15th day of March 1958, at seven o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundaion aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Litchfield this 17th day of February 1958.

LEON CALAWA, Jr.
OLIVE CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD M. MacDOUGALL
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LEON CALAWA, Jr.
OLIVE CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD M. MacDOUGALL
School Board

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1958-59

School District of Litchfield

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
Salaries of District Officers	$ 387.00	$ 347.00	$ 347.00
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	216.00	242.00	269.50
Tax for State Wide Supervision	244.00	244.00	298.00
Salaries of other Personnel	337.04	389.74	437.58
Supplies and Expenses of Administration	266.62	368.08	315.38
Principal's and Teachers' Salaries	15,484.22	20,750.00	22,450.00
Books and Other Instructional Aids	529.96	472.50	540.00
Scholars Supplies	691.04	535.50	675.00
Supplies and Other Expenses of Instruction	491.03	250.00	200.00
Salaries of Custodians	1,121.01	1,400.00	1,500.00
Fuel or Heat	1,235.22	1,300.00	1,500.00
Water, Light, Supplies, Expenses	538.54	1,175.00	1,175.00
Repairs and Replacements	375.72	600.00	600.00
Health Supervision	276.30	233.48	390.00
Transportation	3,356.05	3,302.40	3,302.40
Tuition	5,846.00	10,100.00	11,078.00
Special Activities & Special Funds	2,466.39	1,200.00	2,000.00
Retirement	1,117.60	1,413.46	1,557.34
Insurance, Treas. Bonds, etc.	1,136.18	494.27	494.27
Lands and New Buildings			
Additions and Improvements		100.00	100.00
New Equipment	244.07	150.00	600.00
Principal of Debt	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Interest on Debt	1,230.63	1,134.38	948.75
Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	$41,090.62	$49,701.86	$54,278.22
School Lunch			800.00
State Construction Aid			1,050.00
Estimated Income to District State Aid	4,579.11	6,251.67	6,251.67
Assessment Required to Balance School Board's Budget	$36,511.51	$43,450.19	$46,176.55

Superintendent's Salary 1958-59

	Salary	Travel
State Share	$2,500.00	
Bedford Share—23%	1,265.00	$195.50
Hudson Share—37.4%	2,057.00	317.90
Litchfeld Share—4.9%	269.50	41.65
Merrimack Share—20.3%	1,116.50	172.55
Pelham Share—14.4%	792.00	122.40
	$8,000.00	$850.00

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

To the citizens of Litchfield:

We wish to express our thanks to the entire population of Litchfield, The Parent Teachers Association and all the other clubs and organizations who have given us their finest cooperation.

This, we feel, has been a very successful year. The school has been very fortunate in having what we feel is one of the finest teaching staffs in the union. Mr. Econ who is doing a very good job with both the administration of our schools and the teaching of the seventh and eighth grades, Mrs. Weymouth who teaches the fifth and sixth. Mrs. Westneat in the fourth; Mrs. Doyle, the third; Miss Loughlin, the second and Mrs. Bache who teaches our first grade.

The board is again asking for substantial raises for the teachers. But we feel that in no way are these raises excessive, for we are only keeping up with the surrounding towns. And of course we are trying to retain our present staff.

We have finished grading the school grounds, and hope to accomplish two things with this project. To keep the water away from the basement in the spring, and to beautify our building. We wish to again thank the P. T. A. for their great work in the seeding of the new grass.

In closing, we want once more to thank everyone concerned for their splendid consideration and cooperation.

LEON C. CALAWA
OLIVE CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD M. MacDOUGALL
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

Cash on Hand July 1, 1956		
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)		$ 432.77
Current Appropriation	$ 33,987.70	
Received from State Treasurer	5,327.67	
Federal Funds	710.87	
Received from all Other Sources	828.29	
Total Receipts		$ 40,854.53
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		41,287.30
Less School Board Orders Paid		41,090.62
Balance on Hand June 30, 1957		
Treasurer's Bank Balance		$ 196.68

July 12, 1957

GLADYS A. LOCKE,

District Treasurer

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Litchfield, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957 and find them correct in all respects.
July 20, 1957

HELEN M. PARKER
EDWIN B. HILL
Auditors

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE

LITCHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

Receipts

Federal Aid	
National School Lunch	$ 1,350.87
State Aid	
Foundation Aid	4,579.11
Unexpended Per Capita Tax	48.56
Building Aid	700.00
Local Taxation	
Current Appropriation	33,987.70
Other Sources	188.29
Total Receipts from All Sources	$ 40,854.53
Cash on Hand July 1, 1956	432.77
	$ 41,287.30

Expenditures

Administration:	
Salaries of District Officers	$ 387.00
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	216.00
Tax for State Wide Supervision	244.00
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	337.04
Supplies and Expenses	266.62
Instruction:	
Teachers' and Principal's Salaries	15,484.22
Books and Other Instructional Aids	529.96
Scholars' Supplies	691.04
Supplies and Other Expenses	491.03

Operation of School Plant	
Salaries of Custodians	1,121.01
Fuel or Heat	1,235.22
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	538.54
Maintenance of School Plant	
Repairs and Replacements	375.72
Auxiliary Activities	
Health Supervision	276.30
Transportation	3,356.05
Tuition	5,846.00
Special Activities—School Lunch	2,466.39
Fixed Charges	
Retirement	1,117.60
Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses	1,136.18
Capital Outlay	
New Equipment	244.07
Debt and Interest	
Principal of Debt	3,500.00
Interest on Debt	1,230.63
Total Net Payments for All Purposes	$ 41,090.62
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1957	196.68
Grand Total Net Payments	$ 41,287.30

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on Hand June 30, 1957	$ 196.68
Due from Federal Agency—School Lunch	230.80
Total Assets	$ 427.48
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities Over Assets)	$ 46,941.93
Grand Total	$ 47,369.41

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by District	
Outstanding Bills	$ 4,369.41
Notes and Bonds Outstanding	43,000.00
	$ 47,369.41
Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	0
Grand Total	$ 47,369.41

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

LEON C. CALAWA
OLIVE CAMPBELL
CLIFFORD M. MacDOUGALL
School Board

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

Receipts

Balance in Bank	$ 432.77
Appropriation	33,987.70
Lunch Fund from State Treasurer	710.87
State Aid	4,579.11
School Building Aid	700.00
Insurance for Lighting Damage	158.19
Unexpended per capita tax	48.56
Refund from Grange Fire Ins. Co.	28.35
Trefle Marsan School Lunch Program	640.00
Received from all Other Sources	1.75
	$ 41,287.30

Payments

Margaret Cronin	$ 247.92
Thelma Gibson	2,040.05
John Groves	2,167.28
Catherine Hammond	200.00
Dorothy Laughlin	2,126.80
Margaret Lorden	561.58
Elizabeth Morrill	365.10
Margaret Tetreault	2,135.85
Newell Carney	1,076.38
Fred McQuesten	3,356.05
Fay MacDougall	107.80
Trefle Marsan	912.93
Jennie Haskins	674.95
Alice M. Rose	174.32
Ida Hill	90.00
Dorothy Spalding	110.00
Alice Westneat	1,362.84
Hilda Abbott	60.00
Harry Econ	984.55
Helen Garon	50.00
Florence Center	10.00
The First National Bank of Boston	4,730.63
N. H. Teachers Retirement System	2,251.91
William G. Parker	10.00
Nashua Trust Co.	1,736.99

Gladys A. Locke	127.87
Edwin B. Hill	6.00
Helen M. Parker	6.00
Mary Haight, School Lunch	76.02
David Campbell	40.50
Fuller's Fuel Oil Service	1,285.72
J. L. Hammett Co.	41.03
Johnson's Electric Supply	1.32
J. B. Lippincott Co.	33.87
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	107.95
Public Service Co. of N. H.	295.25
Rowell & Miller	46.00
Scott Foresman & Co.	408.36
H. L. Shepherd	26.20
Washington National Ins. Co.	3.50
Wirthmore Grain Co.	27.46
Supervisory Union #27	702.24
N. H. -Vt. Hosp. & Phy. Service	128.65
Osgood's	14.92
Archie Slawsby Agency Inc.	1,031.35
Hudson Pharmacy Inc.	149.95
Hudson School District	2,550.00
Allyn & Bacon Inc.	111.32
American Book Co.	25.50
Cambosco Scientific Co.	42.55
Lewis Goffe	15.00
Martin & Murray Co., Inc.	35.60
Maxfield Press Co.	33.40
Fred McQuesten	35.30
Robert McQuesten	6.90
A. H. Rice Co., Inc.	3.50
Milton Bradley Co.	452.28
California Test Bureau	35.01
Houghton Mifflin Co.	51.98
The MacMillan Co.	32.53
Mainco Trading Co.	4.64
Nashua Plate & Mirror Co.	10.12
National Education Association	10.00
National School Methods Inc.	3.39
National School Service	.78
N. H. Education Association	24.00
Prentice - Hall, Inc.	10.26
Rand McNally Co.	138.02
Silver Burdett Co.	79.83

Vinton School Form Co.	.58
State Treasurer	432.67
Oscar A. Calawa	37.50
W. H. Cook & Sons Piano Co.	6.00
Hammar Hardware Co.	5.00
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	249.55
Philip Morris & Co.	21.54
N. H. State Library	2.95
News Map of the Week Inc.	26.67
Post-index Co. Div. Art Metal Const.	3.58
Stanley E. Smith Co.	14.00
Clifford MacDougall	100.00
Olive Campbell	80.00
Leon Calawa Jr.	80.00
District Director of Internal Revenue	7.50
Arthur C. Croft Publications	21.00
Follett Publishing Co.	64.64
Wilfred Lapierre	77.00
Trefle Marsan School Lunch	634.85
City of Manchester	656.00
City of Nashua	2,640.00
Sylvester A. Reid	5.00
Tri-State Office Equipment Co.	4.97
World Book Co.	7.59
Elementary Evaluative Criteria	6.20
Jeannotte Brothers	69.20
Nashua Corporation	10.63
N. H. School Board Association	10.00
	$ 41,090.62

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and citizens of Litchfield, New Hampshire:

It is with pleasure that I submit my third annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

In the past year two important changes have taken place that are being reflected in many ways in the educational well being of the Litchfield Elementary School. Number one was the decision of the voters of Litchfield to follow the recommendations of your School Board and Superintendent in providing better teachers' salaries. Number two was the establishment of single units in grades 3 and 4, thereby allowing Mrs. Doyle and Mrs. Westneat time to work more closely with the various groupings in their respective grades. Another addition to the program has been the music program introduced by the teachers on their own initiative. Your children like to sing and it is wonderful that they are being given the opportunity to enjoy and appreciate music at their grade level. The Rinehart Handwriting System has been another valuable addition to the instructional program this year. Teachers and children alike in grades 1 through 6 are working together toward the improvement of handwriting in your school.

Under the leadership of Mr. Econ with the full cooperation of his teaching staff Litchfield is experiencing one of its most productive years. To insure the continued success of this program it is necessary to maintain continuity in your teaching staff. Your School Board and Superintendent's recommendations are reflected in the School District Budget and it is my hope that you will think of salary increases in terms of your children's welfare and vote accordingly.

New Teachers

Mrs. Loretta A. Bache, Framingham Teachers College 1936 to replace Mrs. Margaret Tetreault in grade 1. Mrs Tetreault left to accept a position in Londonderry.

Mrs. Helen M. Doyle, Lowell Teachers College with most recent experience as grade 4 teacher for past 15 years to replace Mrs. Thelma Gibson in grade 3.

Mrs. Audrey A. Weymouth, Bob Jones University, So. Carolina to replace Mrs. Alice Westneat who moved to grade 4. Mrs. Weymouth teaches grades 5 and 6.

Mrs. Candace Hale, R. N. to replace Miss Margaret Cronin, deceased, as school nurse teacher.

Additions and Improvements

The improvements to the school grounds through the cooperation of the P. T. A. and interested citizens with the School Board deserves commendation. A school physical appearance reflects the pride its townspeople have in it. The addition of an exit to the downstairs room has completely changed its utility and appearance. It has become a pleasant and functional classroom. A new asphalt tile floor in the Cafeteria and kitchen has improved that area from the standpoint of sanitation and appearance. New shelves in the teacher's room have added materially to its appearance but have also made it a functional part of the building.

When the new incinerator donated by the P. T. A. is connected the problem of rubbish disposal will have been solved and you can look back on a year of decided improvements to your school.

School Lunch

Tref Marsan and Mrs. Haskins are again proving that Litchfield has its share of good cooks. They are to be commended for the fine wholesome meals they are providing your young people at a minimum cost.

Instruction

The news of John McGrath's appointment to the faculty of State University Teachers College, Potsdam, New York was received with sincere regret. We were fortunate in finding a man experienced in elementary education with a Masters Degree in both elementary and secondary education to replace John as Helping Teacher. Mr. Paul L. O'Neil former Principal of the Amherst Street School in Nashua has been serving in his new capacity as Helping Teacher since September 30, 1957. Mr. O'Neil's approach to his new position has been most satisfying to your Superintendent, and we are continuing with our plans to strengthen our educational program on a systematic basis. As Mr. O'Neil's report on instruction follows I shall only say that I have every confidence he will carry on the good work.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the School Board, to Principal Econ and the teachers, to the pupils, and to you the citizens of Litchfield for your friendly cooperation. You make a good team.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS L. RAMSAY
Superintendent of Schools
Litchfield, New Hampshire

February 1, 1958

HELPING TEACHER

Mr. Louis Ramsay
Superintendent of Schools
Supervisory Union #27
Hudson, New Hampshire

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report as the Helping Teacher in the Litchfield School System.

A Helping Teacher works for better coordination of the instructional program, coordination within the school and interpretation of its goals in the community.

I have been very pleased with the accomplishments gained in the classrooms of the Litchfield school. These accomplishments are not easily attained. Indeed they depend upon the ability and character of the teachers involved.

Your superintendent and school board have staffed your school with competent teachers. You should be proud of your children attending classes at the Litchfield school, for here is a school interested in producing a worthwhile group of young citizens. I have yet to visit the school and witness any irregularities in good manners and discipline. I mention this as a preface to my report since I feel that it is both timely and significant and certainly indicative of excellent character development.

Much has been written lately about methods, results, procedures, techniques of teaching reading. There is little actually to be alarmed at. Your school is providing adequate instruction in reading. The children possess the necessary equipment to attack new words, that it, the phonics part of reading development. We must keep in mind the fact that children progress at different rates of speed. Our teachers are providing for these individual differences daily, this holds true for several areas—not reading alone. Reading instruction in our school revolves around a sound basic set of graded textbooks, namely, the Scott-Foresman Series. Rich experiences in basic skills implement any reading program. Our textbooks provide these experiences daily. Teacher's guides and manuals assure us of this.

School budget demands are burdensome to the Litchfield townspeople. Your superintendent and school board is providing the best possible equipment and materials for the children.

The Litchfield school needs an adequate library so that children may make use of its facilities. Teachers awaken the interest in reading, parents help here also when they purchase books geared to the interest level of the children. Our school needs supplementary reading matter in all areas of the curriculum.

I would further recommend that our school obtain the services of a music supervisor and an art supervisor. These valuable curriculum coordinators assist the already overburdened teacher with plans and procedures geared to the needs of the children along these special areas. These special subjects lend themselves to several content areas within the present curriculum.

The Silver-Burdett series, "Making Sure of Arithmetic" is used in the arithmetic program in the elementary grades. It is a popular series and I am pleased to find the teachers and children making successful strides in its use. The publishing company makes available (free of charge) to our supervisory union the services of an arithmetic consultant. This year and in years to come we will avail ourselves of the services of this specialist so that teachers, in meeting with her annually, may discuss their problems and learn of recent approaches to the teaching of arithmetic.

Although the language arts is somewhat of an overcrowded content area we can rest assured that the teachers are performing their tasks diligently without equivocation.

Consider the content of the language arts and you will realize the responsibility of teachers: reading, (and associated skills) writing, spelling, composition, (oral & written) poetry, vocabulary, dictionary usage, phonics, choral speaking, literature, and dramatics—these and several more constitute a well-rounded program.

I have observed many of these specific areas being taught in the Litchfield school by teachers who have carefully worked out plans and procedures. The results are most satisfactory.

Through my affiliation with several professional organizations, such monthly periodicals as are listed below are routed to your school in hopes of keeping the teachers abreast of developments within the profession. These periodicals with their provocative articles include:

The Science Teacher
Elementary English
The Elementary School Principal
The English Journal
The Elementary School Journal
The Math Teacher
The Arithmetic Teacher
Educational Leadership
The N. E. A. Journal
Journal of Developmental Reading

Several bulletins of my own composition are forwarded individual teachers for their files. So far this year these bulletins have concerned themselves with these topics: "Written Language Techniques," "Suggestions for the Improvement of Pupil Neatness," "The Use of Homonyms," "Responsibilities to Substitute Teachers," "Phonics in Grades 1 & 2," "A Word About Cadet Teachers." At grade level meetings of all supervisory union teachers they have mentioned the value of these occasional bulletins. A regular monthly newsletter originates from my office and is distributed to all teachers, principals, nurses and supervisors, and school board members of the supervisory union. The purpose of this medium is multi-fold, many articles of interest to the busy teacher are briefly outlined as are important dates and meetings of the month. Teachers and principals are encouraged to use this newsletter to strengthen their relationships socially or otherwise. Significant observations of classroom procedures and techniques are noted thereon.

Annually the Litchfield school administers a valuable testing program. In the fall the California Tests of Mental Maturity are given and a school wide achievement test is administered in the spring. The results of these tests help in the guidance program and afford teachers an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the abilities, strengths, and possible weaknesses of the children. I strongly recommend continuation of this testing program and possibly making use of other standardized tests to implement an area of great concern in schools today.

A report of this nature would be incomplete if we omitted the valuable opinion of the principal and teacher of the school, Mr. Harry Econ, who, as you well know, capably teaches his combined seventh and eight grade and performs the multitudinous duties as administrator.

Principal's Report

The introduction of the Rinehart Handwriting System into the Curriculum of the Litchfield Elementary School has shown excellent results. Under the direct supervision that the plan offers made it possible to obtain a set program, beginning in grades 1 through 6. Teachers and students have become writing conscious. They have recognized and stressed neatness with a set pattern.

Our Speech Correction teacher working with the teachers, school nurse and with the cooperation of parents, has taken the problem out of the class room giving the individual student the proper training needed. Great progress has been shown to the individual student.

The Elocution teacher has given our Junior High grades the proper training in public speaking. Results of the Union Prize Speaking Contest show that the contestants from Litchfield Elementary School took high honors, again another step of great progress.

HARRY ECON,
Principal

Report of Elocution Teacher

Speech activities in the Litchfield School
January 1st to December 31, 1957

Twelve members of the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades presented a two act comedy, "Raspberry Red" at the Grange Hall in May.

Several children representing all grades participated in the community Memorial Day exercises.

Twenty-nine pupils chose and prepared prize speaking selections. Fourteen finalists competed in the contest held on December 7th. The winners were: Constance Hendrick, Arthur Colby, Richard Potter, Judith MacDougall, Thomas Levesque, and Wayne MacDougall.

On Dec. 13th, the annua' Supervisory Union # 27 Prize Speaking Contest was held in Litchfield. Our eighth grade was represented by Arthur Colby and Richard Potter. Our boys, achieving the highest team score were presented the loving cup by Superintendent of Schools, Louis L. Ramsay.

Class work and indicidual corrective speech exercises have proven their worth in the lower grades.

MRS. ELIZABETH MORRILL

It is certainly rewarding and challenging to be associated with the Litchfield School, its children, teachers, and parents; equally rewarding is my close association with your superintendent and school board.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL L. O'NEIL
Helping Teacher

NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ASSESSMENT, 1957

Expenditures (1957-58)

Current Expenditures	$ 44,849.78	
New Equipment	250.00	
Debt and Interest	4,634.38	
Total Appropriation (Including Appropriations Voted at Special Meetings)		$ 49,734.16

Receipts (1957-58)

Balance, June 30, 1957	0	
State Aid (Estimate)	$ 6,097.11	
Other Receipts (Estimate)	43,637.05	
Total Appropriation (Including Appropriations Voted at Special Meetings)		$ 49,734.16

Certified

To the Board of Selectmen:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Litchfield school district held March 16, 1957.

June 10, 1957

LEWIS C. GOFFE
Clerk of the School District

To the State Department of Education:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1957-58, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 197, Section 20.

June 24, 1957

LEON CALAWA, Jr.
Chairman of the School Board

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

Teacher	Contract Salary	Amount Received (Apr-June)	Salary Less Deductions
Econ, Harry	$3,300.00	$1,008.15	$ 974.55
Gibson, Thelma	2,800.00		2,040.05
		(Sept-March)	
Groves, John	3,500.00	2,430.00	2,167.28
Laughlin, Dorothy	2,800.00		2,126.80
Tetreault, Margaret	2,800.00		2,135.85
Hammond, Catherine	200.00		200.00
Morrill, Elizabeth	400.00		365.10
		(Sept-Nov)	
Lorden, Margaret	2,800.00	715.30	561.58
		(Dec)	
Rose, Alice	3,000.00	199.92	174.23
		(Jan-June)	
Westneat, Alice	3,000.00	1,800.00	1,362.84

COMPARATIVE ENROLLMENT 1958-59

Grade	Litchfield Grammar School 1957-1958	1958-1959
1	19	22
2	16	19
3	17	16
4	18	17
5	17	18
6	15	17
7	8	15
8	11	8
Total	121	132

Tuition Pupils

Alvirne	15
Nashua	5
Manchester	5
	25

ENUMERATION OF CHILDREN UNDER 19, SEPTEMBER 1, 1957

Grade	Litchfield School	Other Schools	Total	Grand Total in Litchfield School
12		7	7	
11		6	6	
10		8	8	
9		13	13	
8	11	0	11	
7	8	1	9	
6	15	1	16	
5	17	1	18	
4	18	3	21	
3	17	5	22	
2	16	2	18	
1 1957-58	20	1	21	122
1 1958-59	13	1	14	124
1 1959-60	17	1	18	133
1 1960-61	20	2	22	138
1 1961-62	15	0	15	136
1 1962-63	12	1	13	130
Others			16	
Grand Total			268	

HEALTH REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Board of Litchfield:
For the School year from Sept. 1957 to Jan. 1, 1958.
Number of pupils examined, 120.

	Defects Found	Defects Corrected	Under Treatment
Teeth	21	0	
Tonsils	23	5	
Hearing	5	2	3
Lip Reading			4
Corrective Speech			4

Communicable Diseases
Mumps—8
Impetigo—2
Pediculosis—5

A successful pre-school clinic was held in May, 1957 with Mrs. Helen House, of Hudson acting as school nurse. Dr. John Quigley, of Hudson examined and vaccinated 12 children entering first grade.

Respectfully submitted,
CANDACE M. HALE, R. N.
School Nurse

NURSE'S REPORT

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

The State Department of Health, with the cooperation of our local and State School Departments, conducted a series of three Salk Vaccine Clinics, at which first, second and third innoculations were given by Dr. Agusta Law of Milford and Dr. Deering Smith of Nashua.

Service was rendered to:

109 Pre-school children
243 School children
5 Pregnant Women

Local women from the P.T.A. serviced the clinics and Registered Nurses in the area assisted the physicians.

The Polio Foundation through its March of Dimes, furnished the first Salk Vaccine to State Departments throughout the United States.

MARIE FAHEY, P. H. N.
Nashua Area

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Catherine Ellen, born to Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Leary, in Nashua, February 16, 1957.

William Arthur, born to Mr. and Mrs. John Worth in Nashua, March 16, 1957.

Michael Charles, born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rodonis, in Nashua, May 18, 1957.

Jane Mary, born to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bergeron, in Nashua, May 11, 1957.

Norma Marie, born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dumais, in Nashua, June 1, 1957.

Judy Lauren, born to Mr. and Mrs. John Illg, in Nashua, June 11, 1957.

Timothy Scott, born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glenday, in Nashua, July 17, 1957.

Deborah Ann, born to Mr. and Mrs. John Janosz, in Manchester, August 31, 1957.

Michael David, born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenwood Thibodeau, in Nashua, October 4, 1957.

Roger Andrew, born to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Rodier, in Nashua, October 15, 1957.

Claudia, born to Mr. and Mrs. John Clement, in Nashua, November 20, 1957.

DEATHS

Frank G. Gilcreast, died in Nashua, January 25, 1957; age: 68.

Donald F. McQuesten, died in Lawrence, Mass., August 7, 1957; age: 65.

Arthur St. Armand, died in Litchfield, August 13, 1957; age: 60.

Fred McQuesten, died in Litchfield, August 26, 1957; age: 53.

Alexander Lapin, died in Goffstown, October 28, 1957; age: 69.

Julia A. Hebert, died in Litchfield, November 17, 1957; age: 69.

Nettie Mae Colby, died in Litchfield, November 27, 1957; age: 94.

MARRIAGES

Ernest R. Leonard of Pelham, and Shirley L. Colby, of Litchfield, were married in Litchfield, March 30, 1957.

Donald R. Maynard of Nashua, and Lucille Y. Levesque, of Litchfield, were married in Hudson, April 20, 1957.

John E. Maxwell of Pepperell, Mass., and Claire M. Ricard, of Litchfield, were married in Hudson, June 29, 1957.

William J. Poland of Baltimore, Md., and Shirley M. Jackson, of Litchfield, were married in Hudson, August 10, 1957.

George J. Boucher of Hudson, and Beverly A. McQuesten, of Litchfield, were married in Hudson, August 10, 1957.

Lloyd D. Cox of Hudson, and Nancy E. Morley, of Litchfield, were married in Merrimack, July 1, 1957.

Leslie A. Coldwell of Nashua, and Phyllis M. Jerry, of Litchfield, were married in Manchester, August 31, 1957.